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SUBJ: EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION ON ANGOLA

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1. IN A DISCUSSION WITH DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR DEVELOPMENT
(DG VIII) MAURICE FOLEY ON MARCH 10, MISSION OFFICER
INITIATED EXCHANGE ON ANGOLA WITH EC COMMISSION. MISSION
OFFICER DREW ON REF C AND PARAS A AND B OF REF D.

2. FOLEY SAID COMMISSION WILL WELCOME A CONTINUING
EXCHANGE WITH THE U.S. BUT NOTED THAT LIKE THE U.S.,
ITS SOURCES ARE RELATIVELY LIMITED. FOLEY SAID THAT
NOT HAVING A COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVE IN ANGOLA,
COMMISSION IS FORCED TO RELY FOR INFORMATION ON: ITS
REPRESENTATIVE IN ZAIRE; WHAT EC MEMBER STATES REPRESENTED
IN LUANDA PROVIDE; AND COMMISSION OFFICIALS' DISCUSSIONS
WITH AFRICANS FROM COUNTRIES NEIGHBORING ANGOLA. WHILE HE
DID NOT AT THE TIME HAVE ANYTHING IN PARTICULAR TO CONTRIBUTE
ON THE ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL SITUATIONS IN ANGOLA WHICH WOULD
EXTEND OUR KNOWLEDGE
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BEYOND REF C, FOLEY PROMISED TO CONSULT HIS FILES, TO
BE ALERT TO ANYTHING HE MIGHT HEAR ON ANGOLA ON THE
MARGINS OF THIS WEEK'S EC-ACP COUNCIL MEETING (BRUSSELS
4812) AND TO BE IN TOUCH WITH MISSION AS FURTHER INFORMATION
BECOMES AVAILABLE.

3. EARLY IN CONVERSATION--I.E., BEFORE MISSION OFFICER

REFERRED TO THE MATTER--FOLEY UNDERLINED THE IMPORTANCE
ANGOLA ATTACHES TO AN INDEPENDENT NAMIBIA UNDER SWAPO
OR SIMILAR CONTROL (REF C). HE NOTED THAT DURING VISIT
TO BRUSSELS LATE LAST MONTH OF SWAPO OFFICIALS (BRUSSELS
4038), ANGOLAN AMBASSADOR TO BELGIUM HAD GIVEN A
RECEPTION TO WHICH COMMISSION OFFICIALS AND A NUMBER OF
THIRD-COUNTRY DIPLOMATS WERE INVITED. MORRIS

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